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Prior Application Art Unit: 2171 Prior Application Examiner: A. Kendred

SIR: This is a request for filing a

☐ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☒ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/857,864, filed June 12, 2001, of Heinz Pauly and Rainer Brendle for INTEGRATED DATA BANK COMBINING SYSTEM

- 1. Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or Declaration and drawings, if any, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior Application No. 09/857,864, as originally filed on June 12, 2001, which is incorporated herein by reference.
- 2. Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125. The undersigned hereby verifies that no new matter is added in this substitute specification.
- 3. Enclosed is a Request for Non-Publication of Application and Certification Under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i).
- 4. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- 5. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended in the Preliminary Amendment filed herewith.

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Basic Application Filing	\$770	\$ \$770.00				
	Number of Claims		Basic	Extra Claims		
Total Claims	15	-	20	0	x \$18	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	3	-	3	0	x \$86	0.00
TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE					\$ 770.00	

- \boxtimes 6. A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- 7. X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
- 8. New acceptable drawings are enclosed.
- 9. The prior application is assigned of record to: SAP Aktiengesellschaft
- 10. \boxtimes Priority of Application No. 99 120009.8, filed on October 14, 1999 in EPO is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy
 - l is enclosed or \boxtimes is on file in the prior application.
- 11. Small entity status is appropriate and applies to this application.
- 12. \boxtimes The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the

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14.	Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
15.	Please address all correspondence to FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT and DUNNER, L.L.P., 1300 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-3315, Customer Number 22,852 .
16.	Recognize as associate attorney [Name, Address & Reg. No.]

The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.

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17.	Also enclosed is

<u>PETITION FOR EXTENSION</u>. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in parent Application No. 09/857,864, filed June 12, 2001, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 31, 2003

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